

## ARCHITECTURE STAND UP AND BE COUNTED!—Thur/10/Sept/2020. DDB

Over time the BUILT ENVIRONMENT has had its challenges, by destruction, namely: -

1. NATURAL DISASTERS, (which still has no focussed attention from the professionals in the Built Environment.)
2. HUMAN MADE DISASTERS, (which still has no focussed attention from the professionals in the Built Environment.)
3. WARS AND VIOLENT CONFLICT, (which still has no focussed attention from the professionals in the Built Environment.)
4. PLAGUES AND PANDEMICS, (which still has no focussed attention from the professionals in the Built Environment.)

The time is long past for a concentrated effort by the professionals in the BUILT ENVIRONMENT **to stand up and be counted, to be fully recognized for the contribution they can make, when they are included as being a critical part of the decision making process, especially Architects, Engineers, Town Planners and Landscape Designers.**

Not only by producing PHYSICAL WORK to challenge the massive destruction of lives and property by the above 4 mentioned circumstances, **but also by designing their training curriculums to facilitate greater student's involvement in these Disciplines, to challenge the ever increasing need for learned, committed and genuine Built Environment professionals.**

The GOLDEN RATIO of these professionals to population, is too ridiculous to mention. **The pain and suffering experienced by all in their respective locations, of building space destruction and inconvenience, in using as customers, can easily form Class Action Suits, with massive redress claims, including punitive damages, for the attention of Court determinations, if and when suitable Attorneys at Law get involved.**

COVID 19, is the **most embarrassing example of abuse and inconvenience to and for senior citizens, pregnant women, disabled and other physically challenged persons, now using Public Buildings, Banks and other Financial Institutions.** The lack of comfortable, convenient spaces to wait for Service Attendants, is enough evidence for BUILT ENVIRONMENT PROFESSIONALS to wake up and smell the coffee. **Facing intense sun and pouring rain to collect your own money, where people using it to make Billions of dollars annually, is total greed and insensitivity. Some even charge you to use Debit Cards to spend your own money. Imagine taxpayers suffering like that in 2020.**

**This message is also for Leaders who show total disrespect when they do not use the appropriate professionals, in all environments, where they are obviously needed.**

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